

Kentucky Postsecondary Education Fact Sheet

Nelson County



General Population Data

	County	State	US
Total population	37,477	4,041,769	281,421,906
Median household income	\$39,010	\$33,672	\$41,994
Percent living in poverty	12.2%	14.3%	11.9%
Percent eligible for Medicaid	15.1%	17.5%	N/A
Estimated percent who do not have medical insurance	10.4%	13.3%	14.2%
Percent of registered voters who voted in the November 2004 election	65.1%	64.7%	88.7%
Unemployment rate 2004	5.0%	5.3%	5.5%

Highest Level of Education

Less than a high school diploma or GED	21.9%	25.8%	20.3%
High school diploma or equivalent	43.1%	33.4%	28.6%
Bachelor's degree or above	11.9%	15.6%	22.3%
Number of additional bachelor's degree holders needed in this county for it to be at the US average			2,828

College Readiness

	County	State
Average ACT Score	20.5	20.9
Percent underprepared in one or more academic subjects	50.9%	48.2%
Percent underprepared in math	33.8%	34.7%
Percent underprepared in English	35.3%	24.5%

Educational Pipeline

Public high school graduates in 2004	441
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments in fiscal 2005	884
GEDs awarded in fiscal 2005	79
Number of students from this county who entered postsecondary education in Fall 2004	355
Number of students from this county who earned a bachelor's degree in 2004-05	120

Notes:

Total population, median household income, percent living in poverty, and estimated percent who do not have medical insurance are all from the 2000 US Census.

Percent eligible for Medicaid is based on unpublished 2005 eligibility data from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Medicaid Services, and US census data.

Percent of registered voters who voted in the November 2004 election is from the State Board of Elections.

Unemployment rate 2004 is from the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training.

Employment by Sector information is 2004 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The self-employed and certain other workers are not included, and some data have been withheld due to BLS confidentiality rules.

Employment by Sector

	County	State
Agriculture, Mining & Other Nat. Resources	29	26,378
Manufacturing & Construction	5,347	346,875
Retail, Wholesale, Transportation & Utilities	2,435	368,755
Finance, Professional & Business Services	1,432	276,576
Education & Health Services	1,420	210,961
Government	1,743	289,987
Leisure, Hospitality and Other Services	1,359	206,240

Undergraduate Enrollments

Institution	Alumni	Fall 2004 Enrollment
University of Kentucky	1,288	161
University of Louisville	823	230
Eastern Kentucky University	581	54
Kentucky State University	21	5
Morehead State University	92	6
Murray State University	78	24
Northern Kentucky University	143	8
Western Kentucky University	322	124
Kentucky Comm. & Tech. College System	1,129	662
Independent Colleges & Universities	1,342	416
Total from this county	5,819	1,690

Financial Aid to Students from This County

Financial Aid Type	# Awards	Dollars
Federal Pell Awards	835	\$1,977,042
Federal Loans	780	\$3,861,746
Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarships	744	\$972,574
State Need Based Grants	683	\$1,051,272

Highest Level of Education information is from the 2000 US Census for those aged 18 and older.

College Readiness information is based on ACT or equivalent scores by 2001 and 2002 high school graduates who entered a Kentucky postsecondary institution in Fall 2002.

Public high school graduates in 2004 is from the Kentucky Department of Education.

Kentucky Adult Education enrollments in fiscal 2005 and GEDs awarded in fiscal 2005 are from Kentucky Adult Education.

Financial Aid to Students information is from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority.

All other information is from the Council on Postsecondary Education.



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